

of them to a paper of a different character
for I procured the subscription & those who
take them are none too well pleased with
them. There are more vile men to be found
in the ranks of pure orthodoxy than in any
other class. I could easily reckon up a large
number within twenty years, if I could give
the editors of the Observer their names, if
would not be worth to make up a sleeping
evil. I intend to attack their Editorials
remarks of last week, if I can get time, & I
hope you will do the same. I expect to be
at the Association next week & hope to see
you & have some conversation upon
several subjects

With sincere affection
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Brother Phelps

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I was absent when
your letter came to hand, & this must
be my apology for not answering it.
I cannot lay any hands on the article
to which you refer, nor can I recollect
the paper which contained it. Soon
after the defection of Taylor of the
Obedient Institute, I wrote the Editor
of the Observer rather a sharp letter, not
for publication, in which I complained
of their illiberality in charging upon
those who entertain the opinions of
Mahan & others, the consequences of
which their ^{vile} men exhibited. I do not
sympathize with the perfectionists,
but I wish to have them treated in a
proper manner. I must say that the
Observer is a mean, cringing, slave
cultivating, anti-abolition, two
sided coward. It has done its utmost
to smother all the moral reforms of the
day, & if the public sentiment had
not been so strong as to ride over their
heads, they would have put all reform
in the dust. We take now then 40
& I am determined to transfer some